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APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to question No. 191 asked by Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 20th August 1925, page 314 supra.]

*Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Routine No. 1187, Press,
dated 5th March 1925.*

The Board resolves to issue the following instructions to Collectors in the matter of publication in villages of lists of lands available for assignment to members of the depressed classes :—

(1) The list of land available in each village with the survey numbers of the fields and their vernacular names (where such exist) should be published in the village sheets of the district gazette. The list should be scrutinized before publication and should be revised annually at jamabandi in the light of the assignments made from it and re-issued under the signature of the Tahsildar or the Revenue Divisional Officer.

(2) Copies of the list for the village should be hung up not only in the village chavadi but also in the cheri temple or any place of worship or communal meeting place of the members of the depressed classes.

(3) Copies of the lists should be communicated to the District Labour Officers who will intimate the numbers to the members of the depressed classes through their Labour Overseers or Inspectors.

(4) Karnams will be required to give the necessary particulars to intending applicants and to render them all possible help.

As no rules are likely to be effective unless Collectors, Revenue Divisional Officers and Tahsildars take a personal interest in the matter, the Board considers that these officers should when visiting villages, see that the rules have been really followed and should take pains to explain to the members of the depressed classes that there are lands reserved for assignment to them and where these lands are to be found.

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to question No. 195 asked by Mr. J. A. Saldanha at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 20th August 1925, page 317 supra.]

G.O. No. 733, Public, dated 3rd August 1925.

At the last session of the Legislative Council, the following resolution was debated and passed :—

“ That this Council recommends to the Government that a Committee of the House be appointed to inquire and report as to the working of the policy laid down by Government in G.Os. Nos. 658, Public, dated 15th August 1922, and 76, Public, dated 6th February 1924, and to suggest means to effectively provide for giving preference to competent candidates from communities which have not their due share of appointments in public service until the existing inequalities are removed.”

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2. The speeches made during the debate showed that there was a general feeling in the House that the measures hitherto taken and now in force with the object of securing the fair distribution of appointments in the public service amongst all communities have not given complete satisfaction.

3. While, therefore, not committing itself to any pronouncement either as to the adequacy of those measures or to the justifiableness of the feeling in question, the Government is prepared to meet the wishes of the Council to the extent that a representative committee consisting of Members of the House will be appointed to consider whether any and if so what measures are necessary effectively to provide for the appointment of candidates from communities which have not a due share of appointments in the public service until any unequal representation that may at present exist is rectified.

4. To enable the Committee to obtain the information necessary to guide their deliberations and conclusions, the Government will collect and supply them with any statistics or figures they may desire as to the numbers of Government servants of different communities employed or recruited to the various grades or classes of departments during the last three years. The scope of the Committee's functions will not, however, extend to the summoning and examination of witnesses.

5. The Committee will hold their meetings at Madras and will address all requests for information through their Chairman to the Chief Secretary to Government in the Public Department.

6. The following gentlemen have been invited to serve on the Committee and have consented to do so :

- (1) M.R.Ry. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar Avargal, M.L.C.
(Chairman).
- (2) " Rao Bahadur O. Tanikachala Chettiyar Avargal, M.L.C.
- (3) " Rao Bahadur A. S. Krishna Rao Pantulu Garu, M.L.C.
- (4) " B. Muniswami Nayudu Garu, M.L.C.
- (5) " Rai Bahadur T. M. Narasimbachariu Avargal, M.L.C.
- (6) " Rao Bahadur M. C. Raja Avargal, M.L.C.
- (7) M. Abdulla Ghatala Sahib Bahadur, M.L.C.
- (8) M.R.Ry. S. Arpudaswami Udayar Avargal, M.L.C.

7. The Members of the Committee will draw travelling allowance in accordance with the orders in G.O. No. 384, Finance, dated 12th May 1924.

(By order of the Governor in Council)

A. Y. G. CAMPBELL,
Chief Secretary.

To M.R.Ry. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar Avargal, M.L.C.
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